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My dear Friend,

A few words

more soon called for report -
our contributions, which I hope
have reached you before this.
I have told you of our affection -
- our sympathy in all your
trials & labors - Since they were
sent off - dear Miss Maria has
sent in the London contributions
& enclose - while we thought
it best to advise her to forward
through Glasgow which she
has done - You will find the
list copied on one of our lists -
it seemed a pity you should
not have Mr. Stuck & H. Martineau
& Mrs. Reid & all you can now

have of course Mr. Mapie &
~~represented them~~ and you have
even it is comes in a dark
day; some of their printed
articles are exquisite. — The
valuable volumes of Handel's
Oratorios are not priced either
are the drawings but we are
told the former are very valuable
from being an early edition.
I know you will do what is
right with them, we are quite
satisfied with your Stewardship.
In this matter as in regard to
all our contributions, we know
you will get as much as you can.
This year's sales will form no criterion
of general saleableness or we
were going to ask a few questions as
whether the contributions sell

well & arrives in good preservation
whether the Danmark tells well &
if it is subject to any heavy duty.
& particularly if our articles arrive in a
good condition generally - for we could
easily adopt some other system of
packing if there was much injury.

There is a cushion seat worked
by Mrs. Erskine whose ~~thron~~ may
recollect as a very early labourer
in the A. S. cause in connection
with Jane Bmeal & George Thompson.
Marianne Erskine was then
the ~~Erskine~~ secretary: the cushion
is too highly charged I think but it
is stuffed with feathers & cost a good
deal - I may this explain the figure.

There is also a case of dried specimens
of plants sent by worthy Mr. Mangham,
they have been priced by the curator
of our botanical gardens at \$4. I may
command a sale from some real
botanist. Dr. Quincey's Autograph too
I should advise your offering to the publisher

named in James Hogg's note.

I hope you have got the North list
separately. we never saw it, but
told the amount was about \$26. I hope
fancy the goods worth more. They
very pretty indeed. The muslin tidies
& head mats were beautiful. - The carrier
has lost a valuable friend by the
death of old Miss Miller of North in the
93rd year - her last labour of love was
sending her contribution to Boston
a very short time before her death.

With affectionate regards to
wishes from my mother & myself
to thee & you all & Hoping all things

Remain

Mine very sincerely
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